

AMENDMENT
U.S. Appl. No. 09/407,008

REMARKS

By this amendment, Applicant cancels claims 38-69 and adds new claims 70-80 in their stead. Examination and favorable consideration are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

RESTRICTION.

The Office Action requires restriction to only one of the inventions defined in (now cancelled) claims (I) 33-48 directed to TDMA communications or (II) 49-69 drawn to polling. Applicant hereby elects the invention of group (II) without traverse.

NEW CLAIMS.

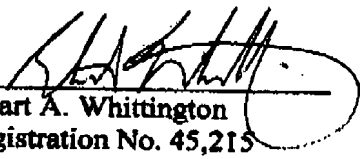
By this amendment Applicant cancels all prior claims without prejudice in favor of new claims 70-80. New claims 70-80 correspond to previous claims 49-69 as supplemented by certain limitations from the specification pages 23-26 and are believe patentable for any previous reasons of record. Accordingly, examination and favorable consideration of new claims 70-80, which are directed to the elected polling invention, are respectfully requested.

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CONCLUSION.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application is now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below. Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee or deficiency thereof, except for the Issue Fee, is to be charged to Deposit Account # 50-0221.

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